

# Berlin Reports Raid on German Coast by British Warships

The Germans took prisoners near Loda and continued their attacks on the Bura and were successful.

**RUSSIA CEDES TO JAPAN ITS HALF OF ISLAND**  
WASHINGTON, December 26.—The Japanese embassy today received official advices from Tokyo that Russia has ceded to Japan its half of the island of Sakhalin for some heavy guns. The island was officially Russian until September, 1905. The southern half was ceded to Japan by the terms of the treaty of Portsmouth.

**AUSTRIANS FORCED BY BAD WEATHER TO RETREAT**  
BERLIN, December 26.—An Austrian official communication, issued at Vienna today, says:  
"The Austrian troops, after a victorious advance in Serbia, were forced by bad weather to retreat, but they have not been beaten, and their courage has not been broken. Our losses have been enormously exaggerated."  
"In the Carpathians our attacks are slowly gaining ground. It is possible that the Russians may have successes here and there, for they do not hesitate to sacrifice great numbers of men."

**ITALIAN OCCUPATION OF ALBANY EFFECTED**  
ROME, December 26 (2:10 P. M.).—News received today from Albania, Albania, says the Italian occupation of the entire town has been effected. The government buildings were taken over by the Italians without the slightest incident. Perfect order, the advices say, has been re-established.

**BROTHERS ARE REUNITED, ALTHOUGH ENEMIES AT WAR**  
MOSCOW, December 26.—After the defeat of the Germans near Warsaw, a Russian detachment, consisting of a number of Cossacks, having taken a dozen prisoners, rested in a village. The officers were invited to the house of a rich landowner, and the soldiers had their supper in a large outhouse. Holding the water for tea, they began to relate all sorts of stories.  
The German prisoners, who had already become almost comrades, listened with interest, but seemed to understand nothing, not knowing the Russian language. One of them, however, who listened more attentively, at last joined in the conversation.  
"What, you speak Russian?" cried a Cossack, greatly astonished, "where do you come from?"  
"I am from Nelida, near Danzig," replied the other. "I am a Pole; I

was employed in Russia, at Verbolovo, in the wood trade. I have a brother who worked at Loda. He became naturalized in Russia. Now he is in your army, in the artillery."  
Naturally the Cossacks, who were shrewd enough, at first did not believe him, and an artilleryman continued to question the prisoner.  
"What is your name?"  
"I am called Joseph Schievsky, and my brother is Roman Schievsky."  
The Russian artilleryman was much astonished.  
"What, Roman Schievsky?" cried he. "See, he is my comrade in the same battery. Do you wish me to bring him here? He is not far off; he is in a neighboring house."  
"Naturally, I wish it," replied the prisoner. "It is necessary that we should ask each other's forgiveness, for in this cursed war one fires without seeing anything. Probably he has fired on me, and I on him. What would our poor mother say?"  
In a few minutes they brought Roman Schievsky. The two brothers embraced each other; every one was pleased, and the meal was served.

**POSITION WITHOUT ESSENTIAL CHANGE**  
PETROGRAD, December 26.—The following official communication was issued from general headquarters tonight:  
"On the left bank of the Vistula, the general position is without essential change."  
"Between the lower courses of the Vistula and the Pilica, the fighting on December 25 was of a desperate character with the exception of that region bordering on the Pilica. Likewise fighting of a desperate nature with the Austrians has been going on along the lower courses of the Nida River. On December 24, in that region, we took as prisoners fifty-eight officers and about 4,000 soldiers."

"In Galicia the fighting along the whole front is favorable to the Russian arms."  
**HEAD OF GREAT LOSSES**  
LONDON, December 26.—With the passing by the British censor of the German official statement from Berlin claiming that 3,000 dead among the British and Indian contingents had been killed on the field, the British official statement from Berlin, dated at Festenberg, near Bethune, London, declared to-day for the first time of such a disaster to the British forces.

The German official statement follows:  
"The success of the battle with the English and Indian contingents near Festenberg can be better judged to-day. Nineteen officers and 819 men were killed, and twelve machine-guns and other war materials were captured. The enemy left more than 3,000 dead on the field. The English asked for a cessation of hostilities to bury the dead. Our losses were comparatively small."

No official statement covering this engagement has been issued by the German War Office or by the official press bureau here. The dispatch is passed by the censor without comment. Further statements made by the German announcement follow:  
"Near Neupont, during the night of December 24, the English and Indian contingents were repulsed."  
"Some minor engagements have taken place at Lihons, southwest of Amiens, and at Tracy-le-Val, northeast of Compiègne. We captured 300 prisoners."  
"In the Vosges, south of Diedelshausen, and in upper Alsace, west of Mulhouse, and also at a point to the southwest of Altkirch, there were small engagements yesterday, but the situation remains unchanged."

**ONLY MENACE TO NORWAY IS POSSIBLE INVASION**  
CHRISTIANIA, December 26.—The only menace to the neutral position assumed by Norway, in the opinion of certain well-informed citizens, appears to hinge upon a possible invasion of Sweden by Germany. There have been intimations, it is said, that the German government desires a base of operations on the southern coast of Sweden. Should the German government succeed in this, it would be a serious menace to the defensive alliance with her sister kingdom, would have to take up arms against Germany. Such a contingency, even in the minds of those who pretend to see its possibility, is regarded as remote.

Norway is expected to maintain her neutrality. What may happen to her after the war, in event of victory for the allies, is regarded by many Norwegians as a more tangible danger than the likelihood of her becoming involved in the conflict. There is a long-standing mistrust of Russia in the minds of these Norwegians.  
It is said to be no new idea that one day Russia, in her pressing need for a western ocean gateway, may be tempted to seek such outlet through Swedish and Norwegian territory. Heretofore England has been looked upon as a bulwark against such possible aggression. Now it has occurred to certain Norwegians that, in the possible flush of victory, and with England and Russia closely allied, the former's vigilance might be relaxed.  
Notwithstanding these bugaboos, with which, so far as could be learned, official Norway is not deeply concerned, the country is pursuing its normal way, suffering comparatively little from war depression on account of the war. According to an official statement by the Norwegian authority, less than 10 per cent of the country's population is out of employment—a condition scarcely out of the ordinary at this season.  
Imports of foodstuffs from the United States have materially increased, due to the closed markets of Germany and Austria. Such falling off as is noted in industrial and shipping activities is due to the danger attending transportation of raw material on the sea and to a tightening of credits abroad. As a safeguard for neutrality, by a recent ruling of the Department of Commerce and Industry, no shipments that can, by the most liberal construction be considered contraband, can be transship-

**DEATHS**  
JACKSON.—At the request of Rev. H. J. Williams, the pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church, Broad and Twenty-sixth Streets, and his congregation, the funeral of ROBERT JACKSON, the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Jackson, will be held at the above church SUNDAY, December 27, at 2 P. M.

COX.—Died, at her residence, 2212 Pleasant Street, MARGARET HARRIS, beloved wife of John L. Cox. Besides her husband she leaves a mother, Mrs. M. E. Harris, two sisters, Mrs. Charlie Nunnally, Miss Phoebe Harris, her brothers, Burley and Gilbert Harris.

Funeral will take place from residence, MONDAY, December 28, at 10 o'clock. Interment in Oakwood. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

SLAUGHTER.—Died, Saturday, December 26, 1914, at her residence, 1102 Semmes Street, at 10 o'clock, MRS. B. F. SLAUGHTER. Her remains were removed to the residence of her son, T. R. Slaughter, Forty-fourth and Bellevue Avenues, Perdue Hill Park. She leaves to mourn their loss four sons, T. R., M. E. L. and J. B. Slaughter.

Funeral from the residence of her son, MONDAY, December 28, at 10 o'clock. A. M. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

VAN BUREN.—Died, at his home, Wilmington, N. C., December 25, 1914, at 10 o'clock, ARTHUR BENJAMIN VAN BUREN. He is thirty-eight years of age. He is survived by his wife and infant son, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Van Buren, and brother, P. B. Van Buren. Burial in Wilmington, N. C., TO-DAY (Sunday) at 2 P. M.

QUARLES.—Died, at his home near Lakeside at 730 A. M. JOHN N. QUARLES, the son of W. R. and M. G. Quarles, age three years.

**FUNERAL NOTICE**  
CLINELY.—Funeral of WILLIAM E. CLINELY, of 522 North Twenty-ninth Street, will be held at St. Paul's M. E. Church, Twenty-seventh and Noble Street, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, December 27, 1914, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in Riverview.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
MICHAELS.—In loving remembrance of my dearly beloved husband, SAMUEL MICHAELS, who died nine years ago, and is still lovingly remembered. HIS WIFE.



Skelski Us Islam Proclaiming the Holy War. This photograph, which has just been received from Constantinople, shows the Turkish high priest in front of the Mosque of Faith. The head of the Mussulman faith is shown reading the declaration of war, surrounded by Mussulman dignitaries.

ped from Norway into belligerent countries.

**WON FAME AS SOLDIER RATHER THAN POLITICIAN**

LONDON, December 26.—When Field Marshal French resigned from the Army Council last spring, because the cabinet failed to support the assurance he had given the officers in Ireland that they would not be called upon to fight the Ulster volunteers, no one dreamed that a few months would bring him fame as the commander of the best army Great Britain ever has put into the field. For the same reason Colonel J. B. Seely retired from the cabinet post of Secretary of War, during the Irish troubles, and to-day he is one of the most active and conspicuous of the staff officers at the front. Colonel Seely always was rated by his friends a better soldier than politician, and now he is vindicating their judgment.

In a small motor car, which has been struck twice by German shrapnel, Colonel Seely is "all over the place," according to the English slang. He has distinguished himself particularly by his enterprise at securing. On several occasions when it was necessary to know whether some village was occupied by Germans, according to the stories of English correspondents, Colonel Seely dashed into the place, reconnoitered and returned to headquarters.

Private White, of the Inniskilling Fusiliers, who was wounded in the battle of the Marne, tells how after lying unattended for half an hour, he heard a cheery voice and felt himself touched on the shoulder. "Looking up," he said, "I found Colonel Seely bending over me, quite regardless of the deadly fire to which the position was exposed."

"I have no fear, these shells will not touch you," Colonel Seely said, and giving the soldier a cigarette, put him into the motor and took him to the French hospital behind the lines. Colonel Seely rescued several wounded that day, and was in and out of the fire zone when German shells were thick.

**RUSSIANS TAKE TOWNS WITHIN ENEMY FORCES**  
VIENNA (via London), December 26 (11:55 P. M.).—The War Department issued the following communication this afternoon:  
"After four days of heroic fighting our troops on December 25 took Ujok Pass. In Galicia the Russians continued the offensive, which began some days ago, and recaptured with superior weapons Krosno and Jaslo."

The situation remains unchanged on the lower course of the Donajec River and along the Nida River. We are making progress south of Tomaszow. "In the Balkans quiet prevailed for the last ten days, there having been only minor encounters on the Save and Drina Rivers."

"Weak attacks were made December 24 by the Montenegrins on the fortress of Bliek."

"The swift water bird" could skim

**TO IDENTIFY BAFF SLAYERS**

Investigators of Crime Bring Forward New Witness.

NEW YORK, December 26.—A truck driver, who declares he saw the shooting of Barnett Bluff, wealthy enemy of the so-called poultry ring, who was murdered last month, was brought forward to-day by the investigators of the crime. The new witness, named Sullivan, declares he can identify the murderer. It is said that District Attorney Whitman is relying on Sullivan's testimony to make positive identification of two gunmen, now in custody, as the actual assassins of Bluff. Sullivan is ready to go before the grand jury on Monday.

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## BRITISH CONTRABAND LIST REVISED; U. S. NOTIFIED

Several Additions, Including Sulphur and Glycerine, Transferred to Absolute Contraband List.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—Great Britain to-day notified the United States of a revision of the British contraband list. The previous list of conditional contraband is maintained, but sulphur and glycerine are transferred to the absolute contraband class. The following additions to the list of absolute contraband were made: Ingredients of explosives, namely, nitric acid, glycerine, acetone, calcium acetate and all other metallic acetates, sulphur, potassium nitrate, fractions of distillation products of coal tar between benzol and cresol, inclusive, aniline, methylaniline, demethylaniline, ammonium perchlorate, sodium perchlorate, sodium chlorate, barium chlorate, calcium nitrate, mercury. Resinous products: Camphor and turpentine (oil and spirit).

Ferro alloys including ferro-tungsten, ferro-molybdenum, ferro-manganese, ferro vanadium, ferro chrome. Tungsten, molybdenum, vanadium, selenium, cobalt, manganese, wolframite, scheelite, molybdenite, manganese, ore, zinc, ore, lead ore, bauxite. Alumina and salts of aluminum. Antimony together with sulphides and oxides of antimony. Copper, part wrought and copper wire. Submarine sound signalling apparatus.

Tires for motor vehicles and cycles together with articles or materials especially adapted for use in manufacture or repair of tires. Rubber, including raw waste and reclaimed rubber and goods made wholly of rubber.

## BRITISH SHIPS ATTEMPT RAID ON GERMAN COAST

(Continued From First Page.)

The British attack was the first reply to the recent German warship raid on the Yorkshire coast in England, when Whitby, Scarborough, Hartlepool and West Hartlepool were shelled.

It was even a more daring feat for the British ships to reach the neighborhood of the German coast if it is to be assumed they dared the sphere of Helgoland protection—even in a fog. This impregnable fortress is constantly guarded by double lines of patrolboats, warships and submarines.

In the dispatch the name of the German bay is deleted. There is a shoal water bay on the west coast of East Friesland, near the German town of Norden, an adjacent to Holland.

Light-draught, small warships, such as some of the destroyers listed in the British navy, might easily reach this bay in a fog, and there establish a base for a hydro-aeroplane attack on the mouth of the great German rivers, the Weser and Elbe, forty miles away.

"The swift water bird" could skim

over the shallow waters within the line of the East Friesland Island, keeping out of sight of the German patrol, especially in a foggy day. The course is open from Norden all the way to the mouths of the German rivers.

Rising in the air, the hydro-aeroplanes could then make their attack with bombs on the German shipping held in the harbors outside of Wilhelmshaven and Cuxhaven, the two great naval bases of Germany.

It is scarcely to be assumed that even in a fog eight British vessels could pass through the double patrol of the German war vessels guarding Helgoland.

Coal from Grate Causes Fire. A small fire in the residence of R. H. Lindsey, 600 West Franklin Street, yesterday afternoon did about \$25 damage. The fire was caused, it is thought, by a coal dropping from an open grate and burning through the floor of a second story room. The wooden beams under the floor was on fire when members of the Fire Department arrived. The blaze was extinguished with little trouble.

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## NO REPORTS OF SEA FIGHT OFF THE CHILEAN COAST

Cannoning Heard by Gunboat Tame Believed to Have Been Salute to Flag of British Commander.

VALPARAISO, CHILE, December 26.—No new sea fight has occurred off the Chilean coast, so far as can be ascertained to-day at Valparaiso.

Cannoning reported last night fifteen miles off this port by the Chilean torpedo gunboat Tame, and which was supposed to be an engagement between the British cruiser Newcastle and the German cruiser Dresden, and the German converted cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich is now believed to have been the Newcastle saluting the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee, commander of the British squadron which sank the German squadron of the Falkland Islands.

The Australian battle cruiser Australia anchored in the bay this morning. Vice-Admiral Sir George Patey, commander of the Australia, came ashore, and paid his respects to the Chilean authorities. He said he did not meet the cruiser Newcastle, while on his way to Valparaiso, and he declared that he was unable to explain the origin of the firing reported off the coast. The Australia has been cruising along the Pacific coast of South America for several weeks.

## WHITMAN TAKES OATH

Will Become Governor of New York at Midnight on December 31.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, December 26.—Governor-elect Charles S. Whitman took the oath of office to-day in the courthouse on Madison Avenue. The oath was administered by presiding Judge Ingraham, an intimate friend. The Governor-elect walked from his home, at 37 Madison Avenue, to take the oath at the courthouse. Mr. Whitman will become Governor of New York State at midnight on December 31, as soon as the term of Governor Glynn expires. It has been customary for the Governor-elect to take the oath at noon of January 1, leaving the State without a chief executive for twelve hours.

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